

# Memorandum



Date: June 21, 2016

To: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez  
Mayor

Agenda Item No. 8(F)(2)

Subject: Recommendation for Approval to Award External Independent Auditing Services for the  
Transit Segment

Resolution No. R-553-16

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve award of *Contract No. RFP-00294D, External Independent Auditing Services for the Transit Segment*, to Crowe Horwath LLP to provide external independent auditing services (Services) for the annual examination of the County's financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Section 5.03(G) of the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment and Charter, Florida State Statutes Section 11.45, and Chapter 10.550 of the State of Florida Rules of the Auditor General. Services under the Transit Segment include an annual audit of the Transit Enterprise Fund. Additionally, the firm will produce reports as required by the Federal Transit Administration as well as the State of Florida Transit Block Grant. The contract includes the ability to obtain additional services, if required by the County, such as the preparation of special reports for financing purposes, special internal control reviews, efficiency reviews, benchmarking studies, and specialized research or training.

## Scope

The scope of this item is countywide in nature.

## Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The fiscal impact for the initial three-year term is \$800,000. Should the County choose to exercise, at its sole discretion, the two (2) one-year options-to-renew, the estimated cumulative value will be \$1,355,000. The current contract, *RFP-796c*, is valued at \$1,034,000 for five (5) years. The allocation under this replacement contract includes the annual cost of the Services and an annual allocation in the amount of \$100,000 for additional services.

Department	Allocation	Funding Source	Contract Manager
Transportation and Public Works	\$800,000	DTPW Operating Funds and General Funds	Blanca Padron
Total	\$800,000		

## Track Record/Monitor

Beth Goldsmith of the Internal Services Department is the Procurement Contracting Manager.

## Delegated Authority

If this item is approved, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee will have the authority to exercise all provisions of the contract pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38, including any cancellation, renewal and extension provisions.

## Vendor Recommended for Award

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued under full and open competition on March 2, 2016. Four (4) proposals were received in response to the solicitation for the Transit Segment. The RFP method was used to obtain the best value to the County by conducting a qualitative review of proposals, including qualifications, experience, technical capability, approach, and pricing offered.

Awardee	Principal Address	Address of Branch Offices or Headquarters in Miami-Dade or Broward*	Number of Employee Residents	Principal
			1)Miami-Dade 2)Broward 3)Percentage*	
Crowe Horwath LLP	320 E Jefferson Boulevard South Bend, IN	1395 Brickell Avenue Suite 1150 Miami, FL	36	John Weber
			77	
			3.3%	

\*Provided pursuant to Resolution No. R-1011-15. Percentage of employee residents is the percentage of vendors' employees who reside in Miami-Dade County or Broward County as compared to the vendor's total workforce.

#### Vendor Not Recommended for Award

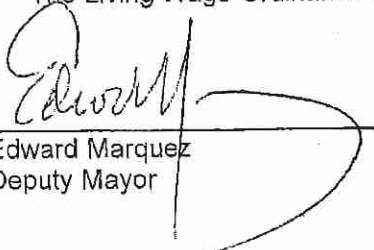
Vendor	Reason for Not Recommending
BDO USA LLP	Evaluation Scores/Ranking
HCT Certified Public Accountants & Consultants, LLC	
Marcum LLP	

#### Due Diligence

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-187-12, due diligence was conducted in accordance with the Internal Services Department's Procurement Guidelines to determine contractor responsibility, including verifying corporate status and that there are no performance or compliance issues. The lists that were referenced include convicted vendors, debarred vendors, delinquent contractors, suspended vendors, and federal excluded parties. There were no adverse findings relating to contractor responsibility.

#### Applicable Ordinances and Contract Measures

- The two (2) percent User Access Program provision does not apply.
- A Small Business Enterprise Sub-Contractor Goal of 30 percent has been assigned.
- Local Preference was applied in accordance with the Ordinance.
- The Living Wage Ordinance does not apply.

  
Edward Marquez  
Deputy Mayor



# MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners


**DATE:** June 21, 2016

**FROM:** Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 8(F)(2)

Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_) to approve
- ☒ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved  Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No. 8(F)(2)  
6-21-16

RESOLUTION NO. R-553-16

RESOLUTION APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. RFP-00294D TO CROWE HORWATH LLP FOR THE PROVISION OF EXTERNAL INDEPENDENT AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE TRANSIT SEGMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,355,000.00 OVER THE INITIAL THREE-YEAR TERM AND TWO, ONE-YEAR OPTION TO RENEW TERMS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME AND EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION, RENEWAL AND EXTENSION PROVISIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board approves the award of Contract No. RFP-00294D to Crowe Horwath LLP for the provision of External Independent Auditing Services for the Transit Segment for the Department of Transportation and Public Works, in substantially the form attached hereto and made a part hereof, as set forth in the incorporated memorandum in a total amount not to exceed \$1,355,000.00 over the initial three-year term and two, one-year option to renew terms; and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute same for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County and exercise all provisions contained therein, including any cancellation, renewal and extension provisions, pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38.



The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman	aye		
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman	aye		
Bruno A. Barreiro	aye	Daniella Levine Cava	aye
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	absent	Audrey M. Edmonson	aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye	Barbara J. Jordan	aye
Dennis C. Moss	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye	Xavier L. Suarez	aye
Juan C. Zapata	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2016. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: **Christopher Agrippa**  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

**MAG**

Miguel A. Gonzalez

External Independent Auditing Services  
for the  
Transit Segment  
Contract No. RFP-00294D

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ by and between Crowe Horwath LLP, a limited liability partnership, having its principal office at 320 E. Jefferson Boulevard, South Bend, Indiana, 46601 (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"), and Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, having its principal office at 111 N.W. 1st Street, Miami, Florida 33128 (hereinafter referred to as the "County").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Contractor has offered to provide External Independent Auditing Services for the Transit Segment, on a non-exclusive basis, that shall conform to the Scope of Services (Appendix A), Miami-Dade County's Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 00294 and all associated addenda and attachments, incorporated herein by reference, and the requirements of this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the Contractor has submitted a written proposal dated March 21, 2016, hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor's Proposal" which is incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, the County desires to procure from the Contractor such External Independent Auditing Services for the County, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS**

The following words and expressions used in this Agreement shall be construed as follows, except when it is clear from the context that another meaning is intended:

- a) The words "Contract" or "Agreement" to mean collectively these terms and conditions, the Scope of Services (Appendix A), all other appendices and attachments hereto, all amendments issued hereto, RFP No. 00294 and all associated addenda, and the Contractor's Proposal.

- b) The words "Contract Date" to mean the date on which this Agreement is effective.
- c) The words "Contract Manager" to mean Miami-Dade County's Director, Internal Services Department, or the duly authorized representative designated to manage the Contract.
- d) The word "Contractor" to mean Crowe Horwath LLP and its permitted successors and assigns.
- e) The word "Days" to mean Calendar Days.
- f) The word "Deliverables" to mean all documentation and any items of any nature submitted by the Contractor to the County's Project Manager for review and approval pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
- g) The words "directed", "required", "permitted", "ordered", "designated", "selected", "prescribed" or words of like import to mean respectively, the direction, requirement, permission, order, designation, selection or prescription of the County's Project Manager; and similarly the words "approved", "acceptable", "satisfactory", "equal", "necessary", or words of like import to mean respectively, approved by, or acceptable or satisfactory to, equal or necessary in the opinion of the County's Project Manager.
- h) The words "Extra Work" or "Additional Work" to mean additions or deletions or modifications to the amount, type or value of the Work and Services as required in this Contract, as directed and/or approved by the County.
- i) The words "Project Manager" to mean the County Mayor or the duly authorized representative designated to manage the Project.
- j) The words "Scope of Services" to mean the document appended herein as Appendix A, which details the work to be performed by the Contractor.
- k) The word "subcontractor" or "subconsultant" to mean any person, entity, firm or corporation, other than the employees of the Contractor, who furnishes labor and/or materials, in connection with the Work, whether directly or indirectly, on behalf and/or under the direction of the Contractor and whether or not in privity of Contract with the Contractor.
- l) The words "Work", "Services", "Program", or "Project" to mean all matters and things required to be done by the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Contract.

## **ARTICLE 2. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

If there is a conflict between or among the provisions of this Agreement, the order of precedence is as follows: 1) these terms and conditions; 2) the Scope of Services (Appendix A); 3) the Payment Schedule (Appendix B); 4) the Miami-Dade County's RFP No. 00294 and any associated addenda and attachments thereof; and 4) the Contractor's Proposal.

## **ARTICLE 3. RULES OF INTERPRETATION**

- a) References to a specified Article, section or schedule shall be construed as reference to that specified Article, or section of, or schedule to this Agreement unless otherwise indicated.

- b) Reference to any agreement or other instrument shall be deemed to include such agreement or other instrument as such agreement or other instrument may, from time to time, be modified, amended, supplemented, or restated in accordance with its terms.
- c) The terms "hereof", "herein", "hereinafter", "hereby", "herewith", "hereto", and "hereunder" shall be deemed to refer to this Agreement.
- d) The titles, headings, captions and arrangements used in these Terms and Conditions are for convenience only and shall not be deemed to limit, amplify or modify the terms of this Contract, nor affect the meaning thereof.

#### **ARTICLE 4. NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT**

- a) This Agreement incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, and understandings applicable to the matters contained in this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this Agreement, and that this Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties as to all matters contained herein. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written. It is further agreed that any oral representations or modifications concerning this Agreement shall be of no force or effect, and that this Agreement may be modified, altered or amended only by a written amendment duly executed by both parties hereto or their authorized representatives.
- b) The Contractor shall provide the services set forth in the Scope of Services, and render full and prompt cooperation with the County in all aspects of the Services performed hereunder.
- c) The Contractor acknowledges that this Agreement requires the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the effective and complete performance of all Work and Services under this Contract. All things not expressly mentioned in this Agreement but necessary to carrying out its intent are required by this Agreement, and the Contractor shall perform the same as though they were specifically mentioned, described and delineated.
- d) The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, tools, supplies, and other items required to perform the Work and Services that are necessary for the completion of this Contract. All Work and Services shall be accomplished at the direction of and to the satisfaction of the County's Project Manager.
- e) The Contractor acknowledges that the County shall be responsible for making all policy decisions relating to legislation, excluding the Scope of Services. The Contractor agrees to provide input on policy issues in the form of recommendations. The Contractor agrees to implement any and all changes in providing Services hereunder as a result of a policy change implemented by the County. The Contractor agrees to act in an expeditious and fiscally sound manner in providing the County with input regarding the time and cost to implement said changes and in executing the activities required to implement said changes.

#### **ARTICLE 5. CONTRACT TERM**

The Contract shall become effective on the date of the parties' signature, whichever is later, and



shall continue through the last day of the thirty-sixth (36) month. The County, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to exercise the option to renew this Contract for a period for two (2) additional years on a year-to-year basis. The County reserves the right to exercise its option to extend this Contract for up to one hundred-eighty (180) calendar days beyond the current Contract period and will notify the Contractor in writing of the extension. This Contract may be extended beyond the initial one hundred-eighty (180) calendar day extension period by mutual agreement between the County and the Contractor, upon approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

#### **ARTICLE 6. NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

All notices required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed sufficiently served if delivered by Registered or Certified Mail, with return receipt requested; or delivered personally; or delivered via fax or e-mail (if provided below) and followed with delivery of hard copy, and in any case addressed as follows:

**(1) to the County**

**a) to the Project Manager:**

Miami-Dade County  
Department of Transportation and Public Works  
701 N.W. 1<sup>st</sup> Court, Suite 1300  
Miami, FL 33136

Attention: Duane Mathis, CPA  
Phone: 786-469-5528  
E-mail: dumathi@miamidade.gov

and

**b) to the Contract Manager:**

Miami-Dade County  
Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division  
111 N.W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 1300  
Miami, FL 33128-1974

Attention: Beth Goldsmith  
Phone: 305-375-5683  
E-mail: bgoldsm@miamidade.gov

**(2) To the Contractor**

Crowe Horwath LLP  
1395 Brickell Avenue, Suite 1150  
Miami, FL 33134-3311

Attention: John C. Weber  
Phone: 786-534-0250  
E-mail: john.weber@crowehorwath.com

Either party may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving notice as provided above to the other party. Such notices shall be deemed given upon receipt.

by the addressee.

#### **ARTICLE 7. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES/AMOUNT OBLIGATED**

The Contractor warrants that it has reviewed the County's requirements and has asked such questions and conducted such other inquiries as the Contractor deemed necessary in order to determine the price the Contractor will charge to provide the Work and Services to be performed under this Contract. The compensation for all Work and Services performed under this Contract, including all costs associated with such Work and Services, shall be in accordance with Appendix B, Payment Schedule. The County shall have no obligation to pay the Contractor any additional sum in excess of this amount, except for a change and/or modification to the Contract, which is approved and executed in writing by the County and the Contractor.

All Services undertaken by the Contractor before County's approval of this Contract shall be at the Contractor's risk and expense.

With respect to travel costs and travel-related expenses, the Contractor agrees to adhere to Section 112.061 of the Florida Statutes as they pertain to out-of-pocket expenses, including employee lodging, transportation, per diem, and all miscellaneous cost and fees. The County shall not be liable for any such expenses that have not been approved in advance, in writing, by the County.

#### **ARTICLE 8. PRICING**

Prices shall remain firm and fixed for the term of the Contract, including any option or extension periods; however, the Contractor may offer incentive discounts to the County at any time during the Contract term, including any renewal or extension thereof.

#### **ARTICLE 9. METHOD AND TIMES OF PAYMENT**

The Contractor agrees that under the provisions of this Agreement, as reimbursement for those actual, reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the Contractor, which are directly attributable or properly allocable to the Services, the Contractor may bill the County pursuant to Appendix B—Payment Schedule. All invoices shall be taken from the books of account kept by the Contractor, shall be supported by copies of payroll distribution, receipt bills or other documents reasonably required by the County, shall show the County's contract number, and shall have a unique invoice number assigned by the Contractor. It is the policy of Miami-Dade County that payment for all purchases by County agencies and the Public Health Trust shall be made in a timely manner and that interest payments be made on late payments. All firms, including Small Business Enterprises, providing goods and services to the County, shall receive payment to maintain sufficient cash flow. In accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 218.74 and Section 2-8.1.4 of the Miami-Dade County Code, the time at which payment shall be due from the County or the Public Health Trust shall be forty-five (45) days from receipt of a proper invoice. Billings from prime Contractors under services and goods contracts with the County or Public Health Trust, that are Small Business Enterprise contract set-aside, bid preference or contain a subcontractor goal, shall be promptly reviewed and payment made by the County or Trust on those amounts not under dispute within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of such billing by the County or the Trust pursuant to Sections 2-8.1.1.1 and 2-8.1.1.2 of the Miami-Dade County Code. All payments due from the County or the Public Health Trust, and not made within the time specified by this section shall bear interest from thirty (30) days after the due date at the rate of one percent (1%) per month on the unpaid balance. Further, proceedings to resolve disputes for payment of obligations shall be concluded by final written decision of the County Mayor, or his or her designee(s), not later than sixty (60) days after the



date on which the proper invoice was received by the County or the Public Health Trust.

In accordance with Miami-Dade County Implementing Order 3-9, Accounts Receivable Adjustments, if money is owed by the Contractor to the County, whether under this Contract or for any other purpose, the County reserves the right to retain such amount from payment due by County to the Contractor under this Contract. Such retained amount shall be applied to the amount owed by the Contractor to the County. The Contractor shall have no further claim to such retained amounts which shall be deemed full accord and satisfaction of the amount due by the County to the Contractor for the applicable payment due herein.

Invoices and associated back-up documentation shall be submitted in duplicate by the Contractor to the County as follows:

Miami-Dade County  
Department of Transportation and Public Works  
701 N.W. 1<sup>st</sup> Court, Suite 1306  
Miami, FL 33136

Attention: Duane Mathis, CPA

The County may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving written notice to the other party.

#### **ARTICLE 10. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE**

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the Contractor's failure to satisfy its obligations under U.S. GAO Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards, State of Florida, Florida Auditor General Auditing Standards and American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Auditing Standards or error, omission or negligent act by the Contractor or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals, or subcontractors; except that such indemnity and/or hold harmless obligations will not apply to any such claims, demands, suits, causes of action or proceedings of any kind to or arising from any failure of the County and/or any of its officers, employees, agents, or instrumentalities, to identify any error or inaccuracy in its financial statements or other information provided to the Contractor. The Contractor shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon. The Contractor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by the Contractor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County or its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities as herein provided.

Upon County's notification, the Contractor shall furnish to the Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division, Certificates of Insurance that indicate that insurance coverage has been obtained, which meets the requirements as outlined below:

1. Worker's Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Contractor as required by Florida Statute 440.

2. Public Liability Insurance on a comprehensive basis in an amount not less than \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Miami-Dade County must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.
3. Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles used in connection with the Services, in an amount not less than \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
4. Professional Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per claim.

The company must be rated no less than "A-" as to management, and no less than "Class VII" as to financial strength by A.M. Best Company, Oldwick, New Jersey, or its equivalent, subject to the approval of the County Risk Management Division.

OR

The company must hold a valid Florida Certificate of Authority as shown in the latest "List of All Insurance Companies Authorized or Approved to Do Business in Florida", issued by the State of Florida Department of Financial Services and are members of the Florida Guaranty Fund.

The mailing address of Miami-Dade County as the certificate holder must appear on the certificate of insurance as follows:

Miami-Dade County  
111 N.W. 1st Street  
Suite 1300  
Miami, Florida 33128-1974

Compliance with the foregoing requirements shall not relieve the Contractor of this liability and obligation under this section or under any other section in this Agreement.

Award of this Contract is contingent upon the receipt of the insurance documents, as required, within ten (10) business days. If the insurance certificate is received within the specified timeframe but not in the manner prescribed in this Agreement, the Contractor shall have an additional five (5) business days to submit a corrected certificate to the County. If the Contractor fails to submit the required insurance documents in the manner prescribed in this Agreement within fifteen (15) business days, the Contractor shall be in default of the contractual terms and conditions and award of the Contract may be rescinded, unless such timeframe for submission has been extended by the County.

The Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that the insurance certificates required in conjunction with this Section remain in force for the duration of the contractual period of the Contract, including any and all option years or extension periods that may be granted by the County. If insurance certificates are scheduled to expire during the contractual period, the Contractor shall be responsible for submitting new or renewed insurance certificates to the County in advance of such expiration. In the event that expired certificates are not replaced with new or renewed certificates which cover the contractual period, the County shall suspend the Contract until such time as the new or renewed certificates are received by the County in the manner prescribed herein, provided, however, that this suspended period does not exceed thirty



(30) calendar days. Thereafter, the County may, at its sole discretion, terminate this contract.

#### **ARTICLE 11: MANNER OF PERFORMANCE**

- a) The Contractor shall provide the Services described herein in a competent and professional manner satisfactory to the County in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The County shall be entitled to a satisfactory performance of all Services described herein and to full and prompt cooperation by the Contractor in all aspects of the Services. At the request of the County, the Contractor shall promptly remove from the project any Contractor's employee, subcontractor, or any other person performing Services hereunder. The Contractor agrees that such removal of any of its employees does not require the termination or demotion of any employee by the Contractor.
- b) The Contractor agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the County and shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims, suits, actions, damages and costs (including attorney's fees and court costs) made against the County, occurring on account of, arising from or in connection with the removal and replacement of any Contractor's personnel performing services hereunder at the behest of the County. Removal and replacement of any Contractor's personnel as used in this Article shall not require the termination and or demotion of such Contractor's personnel.
- c) The Contractor agrees that at all times it will employ, maintain and assign to the performance of the Services a sufficient number of competent and qualified professionals and other personnel to meet the requirements to which reference is hereinafter made. The Contractor agrees to adjust its personnel staffing levels or to replace any its personnel if so directed upon reasonable request from the County, should the County make a determination, in its sole discretion, that said personnel staffing is inappropriate or that any individual is not performing in a manner consistent with the requirements for such a position.
- d) The Contractor warrants and represents that its personnel have the proper skill, training, background, knowledge, experience, rights, authorizations, integrity, character and licenses as necessary to perform the Services described herein, in a competent and professional manner.
- e) The Contractor shall at all times cooperate with the County and coordinate its respective work efforts to most effectively and efficiently maintain the progress in performing the Services.
- f) The Contractor shall comply with all provisions of all federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, and regulations that are applicable to the performance of this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 12: EMPLOYEES OF THE CONTRACTOR**

All employees of the Contractor shall be considered to be, at all times, employees of the Contractor under its sole direction and not employees or agents of the County. The Contractor shall supply competent employees. Miami-Dade County may require the Contractor to remove an employee if deemed careless, incompetent, insubordinate or otherwise objectionable and whose continued employment on County property is not in the best interest of the County. Each employee shall have and wear proper identification.

**ARTICLE 13. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP**

The Contractor is, and shall be, in the performance of all work services and activities under this Agreement, an independent contractor, and not an employee, agent or servant of the County. All persons engaged in any of the work or services performed pursuant to this Agreement shall at all times, and in all places, be subject to the Contractor's sole direction, supervision and control. The Contractor shall exercise control over the means and manner in which it and its employees perform the work, and in all respects the Contractor's relationship and the relationship of its employees to the County shall be that of an independent contractor and not as employees and agents of the County.

The Contractor does not have the power or authority to bind the County in any promise, agreement or representation other than specifically provided for in this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 14. AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY'S PROJECT MANAGER**

- a) The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County's Project Manager will determine in the first instance all questions of any nature whatsoever arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of, this Agreement including without limitations: questions as to the value, acceptability and fitness of the Services; questions as to either party's fulfillment of its obligations under the Contract; negligence, fraud or misrepresentation before or subsequent to acceptance of the Contractor's Proposal; questions as to the interpretation of the Scope of Services; and claims for damages, compensation and losses.
- b) The Contractor shall be bound by all determinations or orders and shall promptly comply with every order of the Project Manager, including the withdrawal or modification of any previous order and regardless of whether the Contractor agrees with the Project Manager's determination or order. Where orders are given orally, they will be issued in writing by the Project Manager as soon thereafter as is practicable.
- c) The Contractor must, in the final instance, seek to resolve every difference concerning the Agreement with the Project Manager. In the event that the Contractor and the Project Manager are unable to resolve their difference, the Contractor may initiate a dispute in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Article. Exhaustion of these procedures shall be a condition precedent to any lawsuit permitted hereunder.
- d) In the event of such dispute, the parties to this Agreement authorize the County Mayor or designee, who may not be the Project Manager or anyone associated with this Project, acting personally, to decide all questions arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of the Agreement (including but not limited to claims in the nature of breach of contract, fraud or misrepresentation arising either before or subsequent to execution hereof) and the decision of each with respect to matters within the County Mayor's purview as set forth above shall be conclusive, final and binding on parties. Any such dispute shall be brought, if at all, before the County Mayor within 10 days of the occurrence, event or act out of which the dispute arises.
- e) The County Mayor may base this decision on such assistance as may be desirable, including advice of experts, but in any event shall base the decision on an independent and objective determination of whether Contractor's performance or any Deliverable meets the requirements of this Agreement and any specifications with respect thereto set forth herein. The effect of any decision shall not be impaired or waived by any

negotiations or settlements or offers made in connection with the dispute, whether or not the County Mayor participated therein, or by any prior decision of others, which prior decision shall be deemed subject to review, or by any termination or cancellation of the Agreement. All such disputes shall be submitted in writing by the Contractor to the County Mayor for a decision, together with all evidence and other pertinent information in regard to such questions, in order that a fair and impartial decision may be made. Whenever the County Mayor is entitled to exercise discretion or judgement or to make a determination or form an opinion pursuant to the provisions of this Article, such action shall be fair and impartial when exercised or taken. The County Mayor, as appropriate, shall render a decision in writing and deliver a copy of the same to the Contractor. Except as such remedies may be limited or waived elsewhere in the Agreement, Contractor reserves the right to pursue any remedies available under law after exhausting the provisions of this Article.

#### **ARTICLE 15. MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

- a) This Agreement, including attachments and appendices to the Agreement, shall constitute the entire Agreement between the parties with respect hereto and supersedes all previous communications and representations or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereto unless acknowledged in writing by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.
- b) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed for the benefit, intended or otherwise, of any third party that is not a parent or subsidiary of a party or otherwise related (by virtue of ownership control or statutory control) to a party.
- c) In those situations where this Agreement imposes an indemnity obligation on the Contractor, the County may, at its expense, elect to participate in the defense if the County should so choose. Furthermore, the County may at its own expense defend or settle any such claims if the Contractor fails to diligently defend such claims, and thereafter seek indemnity for costs from the Contractor.

#### **ARTICLE 16. QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY ASSURANCE RECORD KEEPING**

The Contractor shall maintain, and shall require that its subcontractors and suppliers maintain, complete and accurate records to substantiate compliance with the requirements set forth in the Scope of Services. The Contractor and its subcontractors and suppliers, shall retain such records, and all other documents relevant to the Services furnished under this Agreement for a period of three (3) years from the expiration date of this Agreement and any extension thereof.

#### **ARTICLE 17. AUDITS**

The County, or its duly authorized representatives or governmental agencies, shall until the expiration of three (3) years after the expiration of this Agreement and any extension thereof, have access to and the right to examine and reproduce any of the Contractor's books, documents, papers and records and of its subcontractors and suppliers which apply to all matters of the County. Such records shall subsequently conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requirements, as applicable, and shall only address those transactions related to this Agreement.

Pursuant to Section 2-481 of the Miami-Dade County Code, the Contractor will grant access to the Commission Auditor to all financial and performance related records, property, and equipment purchased in whole or in part with government funds. The Contractor agrees to



maintain an accounting system that provides accounting records that are supported with adequate documentation, and adequate procedures for determining the allowability and allocability of costs.

#### **ARTICLE 18. SUBSTITUTION OF PERSONNEL**

In the event the Contractor wishes to substitute personnel for the key personnel identified by the Contractor's Proposal, the Contractor must notify the County in writing and request written approval for the substitution at least ten (10) business days prior to effecting such substitution.

#### **ARTICLE 19. CONSENT OF THE COUNTY REQUIRED FOR ASSIGNMENT**

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of this Agreement, including its rights, title or interest in or to the same or any part thereof without the prior written consent of the County.

#### **ARTICLE 20. SUBCONTRACTUAL RELATIONS**

- a) If the Contractor will cause any part of this Agreement to be performed by a Subcontractor, the provisions of this Contract will apply to such Subcontractor and its officers, agents and employees in all respects as if it and they were employees of the Contractor; and the Contractor will not be in any manner thereby discharged from its obligations and liabilities hereunder, but will be liable hereunder for all acts and negligence of the Subcontractor, its officers, agents, and employees, as if they were employees of the Contractor. The services performed by the Subcontractor will be subject to the provisions hereof as if performed directly by the Contractor.
- b) The Contractor, before making any subcontract for any portion of the services, will state in writing to the County the name of the proposed Subcontractor, the portion of the Services which the Subcontractor is to do, the place of business of such Subcontractor, and such other information as the County may require. The County will have the right to require the Contractor not to award any subcontract to a person, firm or corporation disapproved by the County.
- c) Before entering into any subcontract hereunder, the Contractor will inform the Subcontractor fully and completely of all provisions and requirements of this Agreement relating either directly or indirectly to the Services to be performed. Such Services performed by such Subcontractor will strictly comply with the requirements of this Contract.
- d) In order to qualify as a Subcontractor satisfactory to the County, in addition to the other requirements herein provided, the Subcontractor must be prepared to prove to the satisfaction of the County that it has the necessary facilities, skill and experience, and ample financial resources to perform the Services in a satisfactory manner. To be considered skilled and experienced, the Subcontractor must show to the satisfaction of the County that it has satisfactorily performed services of the same general type which is required to be performed under this Agreement.
- e) The County shall have the right to withdraw its consent to a subcontract if it appears to the County that the subcontract will delay, prevent, or otherwise impair the performance of the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement. All Subcontractors are required to protect the confidentiality of the County's and County's proprietary and confidential information. Contractor shall furnish to the County copies of all subcontracts between Contractor and Subcontractors and suppliers hereunder. Within



each such subcontract, there shall be a clause for the benefit of the County in the event the County finds the Contractor in breach of this Contract, permitting the County to request completion by the Subcontractor of its performance obligations under the subcontract. The clause shall include an option for the County to pay the Subcontractor directly for the performance by such Subcontractor. Notwithstanding, the foregoing shall neither convey nor imply any obligation or liability on the part of the County to any subcontractor hereunder as more fully described herein.

#### **ARTICLE 21. ASSUMPTION, PARAMETERS, PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES AND EXPLANATIONS**

The Contractor understands and agrees that any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations presented by the County were provided to the Contractor for evaluation purposes only. However, since these assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations represent predictions of future events, the County makes no representations or guarantees, and the County shall not be responsible for the accuracy of the assumptions presented; and the County shall not be responsible for conclusions to be drawn therefrom; and any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations shall not form the basis of any claim by the Contractor. The Contractor accepts all risk associated with using this information.

#### **ARTICLE 22. SEVERABILITY**

If this Agreement contains any provision found to be unlawful, the same shall be deemed to be of no effect and shall be deemed stricken from this Agreement without affecting the binding force of this Agreement as it shall remain after omitting such provision.

#### **ARTICLE 23. TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION OF WORK**

- a) The County may terminate this Agreement if an individual or corporation or other entity attempts to meet its contractual obligation with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement.
- b) The County may, as a further sanction, terminate or cancel any other contract(s) that such individual or corporation or other entity has with the County and that such individual, corporation or other entity shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.
- c) The foregoing notwithstanding, any individual, corporation or other entity which attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement may be debarred from County contracting for up to five (5) years in accordance with the County debarment procedures. The Contractor may be subject to debarment for failure to perform and all other reasons set forth in Section 10-38 of the County Code.
- d) In addition to cancellation or termination as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the County may at any time, in its sole discretion, with or without cause, terminate this Agreement by written notice to the Contractor.
- e) In the event that the County exercises its right to terminate this Agreement, the Contractor shall, upon receipt of such notice, unless otherwise directed by the County:
  - i. stop work on the date specified in the notice ("the Effective Termination Date");

- ii. take such action as may be necessary for the protection and preservation of the County's materials and property;
  - iii. cancel orders;
  - iv. assign to the County and deliver to any location designated by the County any non-cancelable orders for Deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and has been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement and not incorporated in the Services;
  - v. take no action which will increase the amounts payable by the County under this Agreement; and
- f) In the event that the County exercises its right to terminate this Agreement, the Contractor will be compensated as stated in the payment Articles herein for the:
- i. portion of the Services completed in accordance with the Agreement up to the Effective Termination Date; and
  - ii. non-cancelable Deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and has been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement, but not incorporated in the Services.
- g) All compensation pursuant to this Article are subject to audit.

#### ARTICLE 24. EVENT OF DEFAULT

- a) An Event of Default shall mean a breach of this Agreement by the Contractor. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, and in addition to those instances referred to herein as a breach, an Event of Default shall include the following:
- i. the Contractor has not delivered Deliverables on a timely basis, except in the event that such delays are due to delays on the part of the County;
  - ii. the Contractor has refused or failed to supply enough properly skilled staff personnel;
  - iii. the Contractor has failed to make prompt payment to subcontractors or suppliers for any Services;
  - iv. the Contractor has become insolvent (other than as interdicted by the bankruptcy laws), or has assigned the proceeds received for the benefit of the Contractor's creditors, or the Contractor has taken advantage of any insolvency statute or debtor/creditor law or if the Contractor's affairs have been put in the hands of a receiver;
  - v. the Contractor has failed to obtain the approval of the County where required by this Agreement;
  - vi. the Contractor has failed to provide "adequate assurances" as required under subsection b below;



- vii. the Contractor has failed in the representation of any warranties stated herein.
- b). When, in the opinion of the County, reasonable grounds for uncertainty exist with respect to the Contractor's ability to perform the Services or any portion thereof, the County may request that the Contractor, within the timeframe set forth in the County's request, provide adequate assurances to the County, in writing, of the Contractor's ability to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Until the County receives such assurances, the County may request an adjustment to the compensation received by the Contractor for portions of the Services which the Contractor has not performed. In the event that the Contractor fails to provide to the County the requested assurances within the prescribed timeframe, the County may:
- i. treat such failure as a repudiation of this Agreement; and
  - ii. resort to any remedy for breach provided herein or at law, including but not limited to, taking over the performance of the Services or any part thereof either by itself or through others.
- c). In the event the County shall terminate this Agreement for default, the County or its designated representatives may immediately take possession of all applicable equipment, materials, products, documentation, reports and data.

#### **ARTICLE 25. NOTICE OF DEFAULT - OPPORTUNITY TO CURE**

If an Event of Default occurs in the determination of the County, the County may so notify the Contractor ("Default Notice"), specifying the basis for such default, and advising the Contractor that such default must be cured immediately or this Agreement with the County may be terminated. Notwithstanding, the County may, in its sole discretion, allow the Contractor to rectify the default to the County's reasonable satisfaction within a thirty (30) day period. The County may grant an additional period of such duration as the County shall deem appropriate without waiver of any of the County's rights hereunder, so long as the Contractor has commenced curing such default and is effectuating a cure with diligence and continuity during such thirty (30) day period or any other period which the County prescribes. The default notice shall specify the date the Contractor shall discontinue the Services upon the Termination Date.

#### **ARTICLE 26. REMEDIES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT**

If an Event of Default occurs, the Contractor shall be liable for all damages resulting from the default, including but not limited to:

- a). lost revenues;
- b). the difference between the cost associated with procuring Services hereunder and the amount actually expended by the County for re-procurement of Services, including procurement and administrative costs; and
- c). such other direct damages.

The Contractor shall also remain liable for any liabilities and claims related to the Contractor's default. The County may also bring any suit or proceeding for specific performance or for an injunction.

**ARTICLE 27. PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION**

- a) The Contractor shall not infringe on any copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, patent rights, other intellectual property rights or any other third party proprietary rights in the performance of the Work.
- b) The Contractor warrants that all Deliverables furnished hereunder, including but not limited to: equipment, programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, do not infringe upon or violate any copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, patent rights, other intellectual property rights or any other third party proprietary rights.
- c) The Contractor shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims made against the County for infringement of patents, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets or any other third party proprietary rights, by the use or supplying of any programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, in the course of performance or completion of, or in any way connected with, the Work, or the County's continued use of the Deliverables furnished hereunder. Accordingly, the Contractor at its own expense, including the payment of attorney's fees, shall indemnify, and hold harmless the County and defend any action brought against the County with respect to any claim, demand, cause of action, debt, or liability.
- d) In the event any Deliverable or anything provided to the County hereunder, or portion thereof is held to constitute an infringement and its use is or may be enjoined, the Contractor shall have the obligation to, at the County's option to (i) modify, or require that the applicable subcontractor or supplier modify, the alleged infringing item(s) at its own expense, without impairing in any respect the functionality or performance of the item(s), or (ii) procure for the County, at the Contractor's expense, the rights provided under this Agreement to use the item(s).
- e) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for determining and informing the County whether a prospective supplier or subcontractor is a party to any litigation involving patent or copyright infringement, service mark, trademark, violation, or proprietary rights claims or is subject to any injunction which may prohibit it from providing any Deliverable hereunder. The Contractor shall enter into agreements with all suppliers and subcontractors at the Contractor's own risk. The County may reject any Deliverable that it believes to be the subject of any such litigation or injunction, or if, in the County's judgment, use thereof would delay the Work or be unlawful.

**ARTICLE 28. CONFIDENTIALITY**

- a) All Developed Works as defined in Article 30 and other materials, data, transactions of all forms, financial information, documentation, inventions, designs and methods obtained from the County in connection with the Services performed under this Agreement, made or developed by the Contractor or its subcontractors in the course of the performance of such Services, or the results of such Services, or which the County holds the proprietary rights, constitute Confidential Information and may not, without the prior written consent of the County, be used by the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers for any purpose other than for the benefit of the County, unless required by law. In addition to the foregoing, all County employee information and County financial information shall be considered Confidential Information and shall be subject to all the requirements stated herein. Neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers may sell, transfer, publish, disclose,



display, license or otherwise make available to others any part of such Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the County. Additionally, the Contractor expressly agrees to be bound by and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, and their officers and employees from the breach of any federal, state or local law in regard to the privacy of individuals.

- b) The Contractor shall advise each of its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers who may be exposed to such Confidential Information of their obligation to keep such information confidential and shall promptly advise the County in writing if it learns of any unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information by any of its employees or agents, or subcontractors or suppliers employees, present or former. In addition, the Contractor agrees to cooperate fully and provide any assistance necessary to ensure the confidentiality of the Confidential Information.
- c) It is understood and agreed that in the event of a breach of this Article damages may not be an adequate remedy and the County shall be entitled to injunctive relief to restrain any such breach or threatened breach. Unless otherwise requested by the County, upon the completion of the Services performed hereunder, the Contractor shall immediately turn over to the County all such Confidential Information existing in tangible form, and no copies thereof shall be retained by the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers without the prior written consent of the County. A certificate evidencing compliance with this provision and signed by an officer of the Contractor shall accompany such materials.

#### **ARTICLE 29. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION**

As a political subdivision of the State of Florida, Miami-Dade County is subject to the stipulations of Florida's Public Records Law.

The Contractor acknowledges that all computer software in the County's possession may constitute or contain information or materials which the County has agreed to protect as proprietary information from disclosure or unauthorized use and may also constitute or contain information or materials which the County has developed at its own expense, the disclosure of which could harm the County's proprietary interest therein.

During the term of the contract, the Contractor will not use directly or indirectly for itself or for others, or publish or disclose to any third party, or remove from the County's property, any computer programs, data compilations, or other software which the County has developed, has used or is using, is holding for use, or which are otherwise in the possession of the County (hereinafter "Computer Software"). All third-party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors and their employees, except as authorized by the County and, if the Computer Software has been leased or purchased by the County, all third party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors' employees with the approval of the lessor or Contractors thereof. This includes mainframe, minis, telecommunications, personal computers and any and all information technology software.

The Contractor will report to the County any information discovered or which is disclosed to the Contractor which may relate to the improper use, publication, disclosure or removal from the County's property of any information technology software and hardware and will take such steps as are within the Contractor's authority to prevent improper use, disclosure or removal.

**ARTICLE 30: PROPRIETARY RIGHTS**

- a) The Contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees that the County retains all rights, title and interests in and to all materials, data, documentation and copies thereof furnished by the County to the Contractor hereunder or furnished by the Contractor to the County and/or created by the Contractor for delivery to the County, even if unfinished or in process, as a result of the Services the Contractor performs in connection with this Agreement, including all copyright and other proprietary rights therein, which the Contractor as well as its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers may use only in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement. The Contractor shall not, without the prior written consent of the County, use such documentation on any other project in which the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers are or may become engaged. Submission or distribution by the Contractor to meet official regulatory requirements or for other purposes in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement shall not be construed as publication in derogation of the County's copyrights or other proprietary rights.
- b) All rights, title and interest in and to certain inventions, ideas, designs and methods, specifications and other documentation related thereto developed by the Contractor and its subcontractors specifically for the County, hereinafter referred to as "Developed Works" shall become the property of the County.
- c) Accordingly, neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers shall have any proprietary interest in such Developed Works. The Developed Works may not be utilized, reproduced or distributed by or on behalf of the Contractor, or any employee, agent, subcontractor or supplier thereof, without the prior written consent of the County, except as required for the Contractor's performance hereunder.
- d) Except as otherwise provided in subsections a, b, and c above, or elsewhere herein, the Contractor and its subcontractors and suppliers hereunder shall retain all proprietary rights in and to all Licensed Software provided hereunder, that have not been customized to satisfy the performance criteria set forth in the Scope of Services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor hereby grants, and shall require that its subcontractors and suppliers grant, if the County so desires, a perpetual, irrevocable and unrestricted right and license to use, duplicate, disclose and/or permit any other person(s) or entity(ies) to use all such Licensed Software and the associated specifications, technical data and other Documentation for the operations of the County or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the County, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the County. Such license specifically includes, but is not limited to, the right of the County to use and/or disclose, in whole or in part, the technical documentation and Licensed Software, including source code provided hereunder, to any person or entity outside the County for such person's or entity's use in furnishing any and/or all of the Deliverables provided hereunder exclusively for the County or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the County, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the County. No such License Software, specifications, data, documentation or related information shall be deemed to have been given in confidence and any statement or legend to the contrary shall be void and of no effect.

**ARTICLE 31. VENDOR REGISTRATION/CONFLICT OF INTEREST****a) Vendor Registration**

The Contractor shall be a registered vendor with the County - Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division, for the duration of this Agreement. In becoming a Registered Vendor with Miami-Dade County, the Contractor confirms its knowledge of and commitment to comply with the following:

1. **Miami-Dade County Ownership Disclosure Affidavit**  
(Section 2-8.1 of the County Code)
2. **Miami-Dade County Employment Disclosure Affidavit**  
(Section 2-8.1(d)(2) of the County Code)
3. **Miami-Dade County Employment Drug-Free Workplace Certification**  
(Section 2-8.1.2(f) of the County Code)
4. **Miami-Dade County Disability and Nondiscrimination Affidavit**  
(Section 2-8.1.5 of the County Code)
5. **Miami-Dade County Dependent Disclosure Affidavit**  
(Section 10.38 of the County Code)
6. **Miami-Dade County Vendor Obligation to County Affidavit**  
(Section 2-8.1 of the County Code)
7. **Miami-Dade County Code of Business Ethics Affidavit**  
(Sections 2-8.1(f) and 2-11.1(f)(1) of the County Code through (f) and (f) of the County Code and Section 2-11.1(c) of the County Code)
8. **Miami-Dade County Family Leave Affidavit**  
(Article 1 of Chapter 1 of the County Code)
9. **Miami-Dade County Living Wage Affidavit**  
(Section 2-8.9 of the County Code)
10. **Miami-Dade County Domestic Leave and Reporting Affidavit**  
(Article 8, Section 11A-60 11A-67 of the County Code)
11. **Subcontracting Practices**  
(Ordinance 97-35)
12. **Subcontractor/Supplier Listing**  
(Section 2-8.3 of the County Code)
13. **Environmentally Acceptable Packaging**  
(Resolution R-730-92)
14. **W-9 and 5109 Forms**  
(as required by the Internal Revenue Service)
15. **FEIN Number or Social Security Number**  
In order to establish a file, the Contractor's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) must be provided. If no FEIN exists, the Social Security Number of the owner or individual must be provided. This number becomes Contractor's "County Vendor Number". To comply with Section 119.071(8) of the Florida Statutes relating to the collection of an individual's Social Security Number, be aware that the County requests the Social Security Number for the following purposes:
  - Identification of individual account records.
  - To make payments to individual Contractor for goods and services provided to Miami-Dade County.
  - Tax reporting purposes.
  - To provide a unique identifier in the vendor database that may be used for searching and sorting departmental records.
16. **Office of the Inspector General**  
(Section 2-1076 of the County Code)
17. **Small Business Enterprises**  
The County endeavors to obtain the participation of all small business enterprises pursuant to Sections 2-8.2, 2-8.2.3 and 2-8.2.4 of the County Code and Title 48 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
18. **Antitrust Laws**  
By acceptance of any contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with all antitrust laws of the United States and the State of Florida.

**b) Conflict of Interest**

Section 2-11.1(d) of Miami-Dade County Code requires that any County employee or any member of the employee's immediate family who has a controlling financial interest, direct or indirect, with Miami-Dade County or any person or agency acting for Miami-Dade County, competing or applying for a contract, must first request a conflict of interest opinion from the County's Ethics Commission prior to their or their immediate family member's entering into any contract or transacting any business through a firm, corporation, partnership or business entity in which the employee or any member of the employee's immediate family has a controlling financial interest, direct or indirect, with Miami-Dade County or any person or agency acting for Miami-Dade County. Any such contract or business engagement entered in violation of this subsection, as amended, shall be rendered voidable. All autonomous personnel, quasi-judicial personnel, advisory personnel, and employees wishing to do business with the County are hereby advised they must comply with the applicable provisions of Section 2-11.1 of the Miami-



Dade County Code relating to Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics. In accordance with 2-11.1 (y), the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (Ethics Commission) shall be empowered to review, interpret, render advisory opinions and letters of instruction and enforce the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance. For additional information, please contact the Ethics Commission hotline at (305) 579-2593.

## **ARTICLE 32. INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEWS**

### **Independent Private Sector Inspector General Reviews**

Pursuant to Miami-Dade County Administrative Order 3-20, the County has the right to retain the services of an Independent Private Sector Inspector General (hereinafter "IPSIG"), whenever the County deems it appropriate to do so. Upon written notice from the County, the Contractor shall make available to the IPSIG retained by the County, all requested records and documentation pertaining to this Agreement for inspection and reproduction. The County shall be responsible for the payment of these IPSIG services, and under no circumstance shall the Contractor's prices and any changes thereto approved by the County, be inclusive of any charges relating to these IPSIG services. The terms of this provision apply to the Contractor, its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors and assignees. Nothing contained in this provision shall impair any independent right of the County to conduct an audit or investigate the operations, activities and performance of the Contractor in connection with this Agreement. The terms of this Article shall not impose any liability on the County by the Contractor or any third party.

### **Miami-Dade County Inspector General Review**

According to Section 2-1076 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Miami-Dade County has established the Office of the Inspector General which may, on a random basis, perform audits on all County contracts throughout the duration of said contracts. The cost of the audit for this Contract shall be one quarter (1/4) of one (1) percent of the total contract amount which cost shall be included in the total contract amount. The audit cost will be deducted by the County from progress payments to the Contractor. The audit cost shall also be included in all change orders and all contract renewals and extensions.

**Exception:** The above application of one quarter (1/4) of one percent fee assessment shall not apply to the following contracts: (a) IPSIG contracts; (b) contracts for legal services; (c) contracts for financial advisory services; (d) auditing contracts; (e) facility rentals and lease agreements; (f) concessions and other rental agreements; (g) insurance contracts; (h) revenue-generating contracts; (i) contracts where an IPSIG is assigned at the time the contract is approved by the Commission; (j) professional service agreements under \$1,000; (k) management agreements; (l) small purchase orders as defined in Miami-Dade County Administrative Order 3-38; (m) federal, state and local government-funded grants; and (n) interlocal agreements. **Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners may authorize the inclusion of the fee assessment of one quarter (1/4) of one percent in any exempted contract at the time of award.**

Nothing contained above shall in any way limit the powers of the Inspector General to perform audits on all County contracts including, but not limited to, those contracts specifically exempted above. The Miami-Dade County Inspector General is authorized and empowered to review past, present and proposed County and Public Health Trust contracts, transactions, accounts, records and programs. In addition, the Inspector General has the power to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, require the production of records and monitor existing projects and programs. Monitoring of an existing project or program may include a report concerning whether the project is on time, within budget and in conformance with plans, specifications and

applicable law. The Inspector General is empowered to analyze the necessity of and reasonableness of proposed change orders to the Contract. The Inspector General shall have the power to audit, investigate, monitor, oversee, inspect and review operations, activities, performance and procurement process, including but not limited to project design, specifications, proposal submittals, activities of the Contractor, its officers, agents and employees, lobbyists, County staff and elected officials to ensure compliance with contract specifications and to detect fraud and corruption.

Upon written notice to the Contractor from the Inspector General or IPSIG retained by the Inspector General, the Contractor shall make all requested records and documents available to the Inspector General or IPSIG for inspection and copying. The Inspector General and IPSIG shall have the right to inspect and copy all documents and records in the Contractor's possession, custody or control which, in the Inspector General's or IPSIG's sole judgment, pertain to performance of the contract, including, but not limited to original estimate files, change order estimate files, worksheets, proposals and agreements form and which successful and unsuccessful subcontractors and suppliers, all project-related correspondence, memoranda, instructions, financial documents, construction documents, proposal and contract documents, back-charge documents, all documents and records which involve cash, trade or volume discounts, insurance proceeds, rebates, or dividends received, payroll and personnel records, and supporting documentation for the aforesaid documents and records.

#### **ARTICLE 33. LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Contractor agrees to comply, subject to applicable professional standards, with the provisions of any and all applicable Federal, State and the County orders, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations which may pertain to the Services required under this Agreement, including, but not limited to:

- a) If applicable, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), in compliance with Executive Order 11246 as amended by Executive Order 11375, and supplemented in U.S. department of Labor regulations ( 41 CFR chapter 60) and applicable to this Contract.
- b) Miami-Dade County Florida, Department of Small Business Development Participation Provisions, as applicable to this Contract.
- c) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as applicable to this Contract.
- d) Miami-Dade County Code, Chapter 11A, Article II: All contractors and subcontractors performing work in connection with this Contract shall provide equal opportunity for employment without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, status as victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking or veteran status. The aforesaid provision shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in a conspicuous place available for employees and applicants for employment, such notices as may be required by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Human Rights, or other authority having jurisdiction over the work setting forth the provisions of the nondiscrimination law.
- e) "Conflicts of Interest" Section 2-11 of the County Code, and Ordinance 01-199.
- f) Miami-Dade County Code Section 10-38 "Debarment".

- g) Miami-Dade County Ordinance 99-5, codified at 11A-60 et. seq. of Miami-Dade Code pertaining to complying with the County's Domestic Leave Ordinance.
- h) Miami-Dade County Ordinance 99-152, prohibiting the presentation, maintenance, or prosecution of false or fraudulent claims against Miami-Dade County.
- i) Compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857 (b)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15).
- j) Compliance with the Copeland Anti-Kickback Act (18 U.S.C. 874), as supplemented in U.S. department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 3).
- k) Mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94A 163, 89 Stat. 871).

The Contractor shall hold all licenses and/or certifications, obtain and pay for all permits and/or inspections, and comply with all laws, ordinances, regulations and building code requirements applicable to the work required herein. Damages, penalties, and/or fines imposed on the County or Contractor for failure to obtain and maintain required licenses, certifications, permits and/or inspections shall be borne by the Contractor. The Project Manager shall verify the certification(s), license(s), permit(s), etc. for the Contractor prior to authorizing work and as needed.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall not be required pursuant to this Agreement to take any action or abstain from taking any action if such action or abstention would, in the good faith determination of the Contractor, constitute a violation of any law or regulation to which Contractor is subject, including but not limited to laws and regulations requiring that Contractor conduct its operations in a safe and sound manner. The parties agree that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no provision in this Agreement shall be construed to require performance inconsistent with any applicable professional rules or standards, and no provision shall be given effect if such would require performance inconsistent with any applicable rules or standards. In no event shall Contractor be directed to, or otherwise take action which may violate applicable professional standards.

#### **ARTICLE 34: NONDISCRIMINATION**

During the performance of this Contract, Contractor agrees to not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, status as victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, or veteran status, and on housing related contracts the source of income, and will take affirmative action to ensure that employees and applicants are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Such action shall be taken with reference to, but not limited to: recruitment, employment, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training or retraining, including apprenticeship and on the job training.

By entering into this Contract, the Contractor attests that it is not in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (and related Acts) or Miami-Dade County Resolution No. R-285-95. If the Contractor or any owner, subsidiary or other firm affiliated with or related to the



Contractor is found by the responsible enforcement agency or the County to be in violation of the Act or the Resolution, such violation shall render this Contract void. This Contract shall be void if the Contractor submits a false affidavit pursuant to this Resolution or the Contractor violates the Act or the Resolution during the term of this Contract, even if the Contractor was not in violation at the time it submitted its affidavit.

#### ARTICLE 35. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contractor represents that:

- a) No officer, director, employee, agent, or other consultant of the County or a member of the immediate family or household of the aforesaid has directly or indirectly received or been promised any form of benefit, payment or compensation, whether tangible or intangible, in connection with the award of this Agreement.
- b) There are no undisclosed persons or entities interested with the Contractor in this Agreement. This Agreement is entered into by the Contractor without any connection with any other entity or person making a proposal for the same purpose, and without collusion, fraud or conflict of interest. No elected or appointed officer or official, director, employee, agent or other consultant of the County, or of the State of Florida (including elected and appointed members of the legislative and executive branches of government), or a member of the immediate family or household of any of the aforesaid:
  - i) is interested on behalf of or through the Contractor directly or indirectly in any manner whatsoever in the execution or the performance of this Agreement, or in the services, supplies or work, to which this Agreement relates or in any portion of the revenues; or
  - ii) is an employee, agent, advisor, or consultant to the Contractor or to the best of the Contractor's knowledge any subcontractor or supplier to the Contractor.
- c) Neither the Contractor nor any officer, director, employee, agency, parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of the Contractor shall have an interest which is in conflict with the Contractor's faithful performance of its obligation under this Agreement; provided that the County, in its sole discretion, may consent in writing to such a relationship, provided the Contractor provides the County with a written notice, in advance, which identifies all the individuals and entities involved and sets forth in detail the nature of the relationship and why it is in the County's best interest to consent to such relationship.
- d) The provisions of this Article are supplemental to, not in lieu of, all applicable laws with respect to conflict of interest. In the event there is a difference between the standards applicable under this Agreement and those provided by statute, the stricter standard shall apply.
- e) In the event Contractor has no prior knowledge of a conflict of interest as set forth above and acquires information which may indicate that there may be an actual or apparent violation of any of the above, Contractor shall promptly bring such information to the attention of the County's Project Manager. Contractor shall thereafter cooperate with the County's review and investigation of such information, and comply with the instructions Contractor receives from the Project Manager in regard to remedying the situation.

**ARTICLE 36. PRESS RELEASE OR OTHER PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

Under no circumstances shall the Contractor without the express written consent of the County:

- a) Issue or permit to be issued any press release, advertisement or literature of any kind which refers to the County, or the Work being performed hereunder, unless the Contractor first obtains the written approval of the County. Such approval may be withheld if for any reason the County believes that the publication of such information would be harmful to the public interest or is in any way undesirable; and
- b) Communicate in any way with any contractor, department, board, agency, commission or other organization or any person whether governmental or private in connection with the Services to be performed hereunder except upon prior written approval and instruction of the County; and
- c) Except as may be required by law, the Contractor and its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers will not represent, directly or indirectly, that any product or service provided by the Contractor or such parties has been approved or endorsed by the County.

**ARTICLE 37. BANKRUPTCY**

The County reserves the right to terminate this contract, if, during the term of any contract the Contractor has with the County, the Contractor becomes involved as a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding, or becomes involved in a reorganization, dissolution, or liquidation proceeding, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of the Contractor under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law.

**ARTICLE 38. GOVERNING LAW**

This Contract, including appendices, and all matters relating to this Contract (whether in contract, statute, tort (such as negligence), or otherwise) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida. Venue shall be Miami-Dade County.

**ARTICLE 39. FIRST SOURCE HIRING REFERRAL PROGRAM**

Pursuant to Section 2-21-13 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, for all contracts for goods and services, the Contractor, prior to hiring to fill each vacancy arising under a County contract shall (1) first notify the South Florida Workforce Investment Board ("SFWIB"), the designated Referral Agency, of the vacancy and list the vacancy with SFWIB according to the Code, and (2) make good faith efforts as determined by the County to fill a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of its employment needs under the County contract through the SFWIB. If no suitable candidates can be employed after a Referral Period of three to five days, the Contractor is free to fill its vacancies from other sources. Contractor will be required to provide quarterly reports to the SFWIB indicating the name and number of employees hired in the previous quarter, or why referred candidates were rejected. Sanctions for non-compliance shall include, but not be limited to: (i) suspension of contract until Contractor performs obligations, if appropriate; (ii) default and/or termination; and (iii) payment of \$1,500/employee, or the value of the wages that would have been earned given the noncompliance, whichever is less. Registration procedures and additional information regarding the FSHRP are available at <https://apps.southfloridaworkforce.com/firsource/>.



**ARTICLE 40. PUBLIC RECORDS AND CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES PERFORMED ON BEHALF OF A PUBLIC AGENCY**

The Contractor shall comply with the state of FL Public Records Law, s. 119.0701, F.S., specifically to: (1) keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the public agency in order to perform the service; (2) provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that the public agency would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, F.S., or as otherwise provided by law; (3) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (4) meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost, to the public agency all public records in possession of the Contractor upon termination of the contract and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the public agency in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the public agency. If the Contractor does not comply with a public records request, the public agency shall enforce contract provisions in accordance with the contract.

**ARTICLE 41. SURVIVAL**

The parties acknowledge that any of the obligations in this Agreement will survive the term, termination and cancellation hereof. Accordingly, the respective obligations of the Contractor and the County under this Agreement, which by nature would continue beyond the termination, cancellation or expiration thereof, shall survive termination, cancellation or expiration hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective as of the contract date herein above set forth.

Contractor

Miami-Dade County

By: John C. Webb

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: John C. WebbName: Carlos A. GimenezTitle: PartnerTitle: MayorDate: 8/2/16

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: Mary Jo Riley, Notary Public

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Corporate Secretary/Notary Public

Clerk of the Board

Corporate Seal/Notary Seal

Approved as to form  
and legal sufficiency

Assistant County Attorney



**APPENDIX A - SCOPE OF SERVICES****1.1 Background:**

Miami-Dade County (County) has engaged the Contractor to provide External Independent Auditing Services for the annual examination of the County's financial statements. In accordance with Section 5.03(G) of the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment and Charter, the Contractor shall provide Services in the Transit Segment as follows:

- \* Transit Segment - To include audit of Miami-Dade Transit Enterprise Fund. Detailed information regarding audit and report requirements for this Segment can be found in Section 2.4.5.

**2.1 Qualifications****2.1.1 Minimum Qualification Requirements:**

The following requirements shall be maintained for the duration of the Agreement, including any extensions or renewals thereof:

- A. The Contractor's Partners and Managers primarily responsible for the completion of the services outlined herein must have an active license in good standing to practice Public Accounting as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in the State of Florida.
- B. The Contractor shall have a current, valid license to practice public accounting in the State of Florida pursuant to Florida State Statutes, Chapter 433.3101.

**2.2 Annual Audit Requirements**

The Contractor shall:

- a. Provide dedicated key personnel (i.e., Audit Partners, Audit Managers, Senior Staff, Support Staff, etc.) for the performance of the resultant Contract(s), who will be primarily responsible for the timely completion of each Segment audit.
- b. Submit an annual audit work plan which shall identify the audit schedule, the key personnel assigned to the engagement including the responsibilities and number of hours allocated to the County's audit engagement; information on certification, licensure and CPE training; key tasks; audit quality control measures; and specific policies, procedures and techniques to be used for the timely completion of the audit 30 days prior to the commencement of each County audit. The work plan shall specifically address any substitution of the key personnel which were previously approved by the County to perform services for the County's audit engagement. The recommended substitute shall have the same or higher qualifications, years of government experience, etc. as the personnel they are substituting for. The County reserves the right to reject or approve substitution of key personnel. For the audit conducted in the first year of the Contract, the County will work with the Contractor to establish the timeline for that year's audit plan.
- c. Submit to the Transit Segment Finance Office a Management Letter which shall identify control and management weaknesses observed, assess their effect on financial management and propose steps to eliminate them, for which the County shall provide responses. In accordance with Ordinance 96-180, the Contractor shall then submit the Management Letter to the County Mayor, Clerk of Circuit and County Courts, and members of the Board of County Commissioners which shall include the County's responses to such findings identified by the Contractor. Please refer to the individual Segment requirements for the deadlines for Management Letters.
- d. Provide the County with analysis of current developments of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements.
- e. Make available the Contractor's work papers to any Federal or State Agency upon request and in accordance with Federal and State Law and Regulations (without additional charge to the County).
- f. Supply all necessary equipment, office supplies, computers, printers and software to conduct the on-site audit Services requested herein including any broadband access equipment (e.g., "air card").

that will allow connection to internet for access to Contractor's work e-mail and Virtual Private Network without reliance on, or interference with, County's own network.

- g. Within five (5) days of completion of the final audit, deliver the final audit reports in bound, hardcopy format to the County Mayor, Clerk of Circuit and County Courts, and members of the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with Ordinance 96-180.

## **2.3. Performance Requirements**

The Contractor, in performing the Services requested herein, shall adhere to the applicable professional standards and relevant Federal, State and County statutes in effect at the time of the audit, including but not limited to:

- 1) U.S. Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS) applicable to governmental units, as promulgated by the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller of the United States;
- 2) Governmental Accounting and Financial Standards promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board;
- 3) Federal and State statutes, reporting requirements under the Single Audit Act of 1984 and the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 (the Single Audit Act) as well as the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations and the Uniform Administrative Rules, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (2 Code of Federal Regulations Part 200);
- 4) Accounting Standards promulgated by the Financial Accounting Standards Board;
- 5) Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS) promulgated by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Auditing Standards Board;
- 6) AU-C section 600, Special Considerations—Audits of Group Financial Statements, as per GAAS;
- 7) Rules of the Auditor General for Local Governmental Entity Audits (Chapter 10.550, Florida Statutes) which prescribe requirements for Financial Audits and Florida Single Audit Act Audits.

## **2.4. Services To Be Provided**

### **2.4.1 Financial Statements**

The examinations conducted by the Contractor will be financial and compliance audits in accordance with Florida Statutes 218.39 and 11.45, Chapter 10.550 Rules of the Auditor General, and U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in order to express opinions on the financial statements of the County Segments identified in Section 2.1. The examinations should be to the extent necessary for the Contractor to express opinions on the fairness with which the financial statements present the financial position, results of operations, and changes in financial position in conformity with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the requirements of the Federal Single Audit Act of 1996, as amended, and the Florida Single Audit Act.

The Contractor shall be familiar with the compliance requirements of any and all Federal, State, and County rules and regulations that may pertain to the Work required including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1) Florida Statutes Section 218.39 and 11.45, and Chapter 10.550 Rules of the Auditor General
- 2) AICPA Audit Guide for Government Auditing Standards and Circular A-133 Audits and the Audit and Accounting Guide for State and Local Governments
- 3) Comptroller General of the United States Government Auditing Standards
- 4) 2 Code of Federal Regulations Part 200—Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards
- 5) OMB Compliance Supplement
- 6) Florida Single Audit Act
- 7) Federal Grant Contract Requirements
- 8) State Grant Contract Requirements

The statements to be audited will be prepared by the County's Finance Department and/or the Segment's Finance Unit. The Contractor shall submit any proposed adjusting journal entries to the County's Finance Department and/or Transit Segment finance personnel for approval in a timely manner.

The County understands and agrees that the underlying books and records of account must be properly closed as required by Florida Statutes and the Contractor must be allowed reasonable time to meet completion deadlines. Please refer to the individual audit Segments for the County's set deadlines.

#### 2.4.2 Review of Internal Control

The Contractor shall conduct an evaluation of the system of internal control to assess the extent it can be relied upon to ensure accurate information, compliance with laws and regulations, and to provide for efficient and effective operations. The study of internal control should include:

- 1) Review of processes, which consist of obtaining an understanding of the organization and its prescribed procedures to serve as the basis for tests of compliance and evaluation of internal controls;
- 2) Tests of controls, which are made to provide reasonable assurance that accounting control procedures are being applied as prescribed.

#### 2.4.3 Data Processing Review

The Contractor shall conduct a review to compare the calculating operations of the computerized systems with the desired results by tests of transactions, including a review of controls designed to assure protection of files and prevention of processing errors and a review of the data processing reports.

#### 2.4.4 Additional Services

If Services are required which are related to, but not included in the Scope of Services for independent external auditing services, the County may request the Contractor to provide additional Services which may include, but are not limited to:

- 1) The preparation of special reports for financing purposes as determined by the County's Finance Director, litigation support as determined by the County Attorney, and any other special audits as deemed necessary by the County's Finance Director;
- 2) Any other additional Work, such as special internal control reviews, efficiency reviews, benchmarking studies, rate matters or specialized research or training.

All additional Services must be pre-approved by the County's Finance Director in writing.

#### 2.4.5 Transit Segment Audit

The Contractor shall perform an annual audit of the Miami-Dade Transit financial position and results of operations for the preparation and issuance of the Miami-Dade Transit Financial Statements.

##### A. Annual Audit Requirements

The Contractor shall:

- a. Complete all audit field work by December 31 each year and submit an Independent Auditor's Report and the Financial Statements and Required Supplementary Information to the Transit Finance Office no later than January 31 each year. This is a critical Deliverable that is required for completion of the County's CAFR.
- b. Provide an annual financial and compliance audit (Single Audit) of all Federal and State financial assistance programs and loans due 90 days subsequent to the Independent Auditor's Report but no later than June 30<sup>th</sup> in accordance with OMB Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200) or any other applicable audit requirements.



- c. Submit an annual Transit Segment Management Letter within 30 days after delivery of auditor's findings in accordance with the Auditor General Rules 10.550, pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 218.39 to make known certain recommendations of the Contractor which if implemented would, in the Contractor's opinion, increase efficiency, improve internal controls, improve management, etc.
- d. Perform subsequent events procedures as required by AU-C 600.40 and respond in a timely manner to the Contractor completing the General Segment audit in accordance with AU-C 600.41-42. The Transit Segment financial statements will be consolidated into the County's CAFR.

**B. Other Transit Segment Reports**

The Contractor for the Transit Segment shall provide annual reports to include:

- a. Independent Auditor's Report on applying Agreed Upon Procedures as specified by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in the declarations section of the most current National Transit Database (NTD) Reporting Manual. This is a certification of the data reported for Federal Funding Allocation and describes discrepancies for any reported data that does not conform to the NTD requirements.
- b. Agreed Upon Procedures Report on compliance with certain limitations of the State of Florida Public Transit Block Grant funds received by Miami-Dade Transit.

**APPENDIX B – PAYMENT SCHEDULE****A. ANNUAL AUDITING PRICING:**

The annual pricing outlined below is a flat, fixed price, which shall include all costs associated to provide the Services.

1. Total of Price for External Independent Auditing Services: Transit Segment  
for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2016: \$180,000
2. Total of Price for External Independent Auditing Services: Transit Segment  
for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2017: \$165,000
3. Total of Price for External Independent Auditing Services: Transit Segment  
for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2018: \$170,000

**B. ADDITIONAL SERVICES:**

1. Hourly Rates for Additional Services for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2016:

Classification	Rate Per Hour
Partner	\$350
Senior Manager	\$300
Manager	\$190
Senior	\$170
Staff	\$145
Clerical	\$80

2. Hourly Rates for Additional Services for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2017:

Classification	Rate Per Hour
Partner	\$350
Senior Manager	\$300
Manager	\$190
Senior	\$170
Staff	\$145
Clerical	\$80

3. Hourly Rates for Additional Services for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2018:

Classification	Rate Per Hour
Partner	\$350

Senior Manager	\$300
Manager	\$190
Senior	\$170
Staff	\$145
Clerical	\$80

**C. OPTION TO RENEW YEARS**

The annual pricing outlined below is a flat, fixed price, which shall include all costs associated to provide the Services.

1. Total of Price for External Independent Auditing Services for Optional Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2019: \$175,000
2. Hourly Rates for Additional Services for Optional Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2019:

Classification	Rate Per Hour
Partner	\$367.50
Senior Manager	\$315
Manager	\$199.50
Senior	\$179.50
Staff	\$152
Clerical	\$84

3. Total of Price for External Independent Auditing Services for Optional Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2020: \$180,000
4. Hourly Rates for Additional Services for Optional Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2020:

Classification	Rate Per Hour
Partner	\$384.75
Senior Manager	\$330.75
Manager	\$209.50
Senior	\$187.50
Staff	\$150
Clerical	\$88

**Notes:**

1. Notwithstanding the proposed hourly rates for Additional Services (Section B), the County reserves the right to negotiate the final pricing on a project by project basis, at the County's sole discretion.



2. Miami-Dade County is exempt from all taxes (Federal, State, and Local). Tax Exemption Certificate furnished upon request.
3. Contractor's prices and rates in Sections A, B and C shall include all out-of-pocket expenses, including but not limited to materials, employee travel, per diem, and miscellaneous costs and fees, as such expenses shall not be reimbursed separately by the County.



## Memorandum



**To:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Charles Scurr, Executive Director *Charles Scurr*

**Date:** June 16, 2016

**Re:** **CITT AGENDA ITEM 5J:**  
RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST  
RECOMMENDING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BCC), APPROVE  
AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. FB-00294D FOR THE PROVISION OF EXTERNAL  
INDEPENDENT AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE TRANSIT SEGMENT FOR THE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS AN MOUNT NOT TO  
EXCEED, **\$1,355,000.00** OVER THE INITIAL THREE-YEAR TERM, AND TWO, ONE-  
YEAR OPTION TO RENEW TERMS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR  
COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME AND EXERCISE ALL  
PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION,  
RENEWAL, AND EXTENSION PROVISIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF  
THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (**BCC Legislative File No.  
161205**)

On June 16, 2016, the CITT voted (9-0) to forward a favorable recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for the approval of the above referenced item, CITT Resolution No. 16-039. The vote was as follows:

Paul J. Schwiep, Esq., Chairperson – Aye  
Hon. Anna E. Ward, Ph.D., 1st Vice Chairperson – Aye  
Glenn J. Downing, CFP®, 2nd Vice Chairperson – Aye

Oscar Braynon – Aye  
Peter L. Forrest – Aye  
Prakash Kumar – Aye  
Alicia Menardy, Esq. – Absent  
Hon. James A. Reeder – Absent  
Hon. Linda Zilber – Aye

Joseph Curbelo – Absent  
Alfred J. Holzman – Aye  
Jonathan Martinez – Absent  
Miles E. Moss, P.E. – Aye  
Marilyn Smith – Absent

cc: Alina Hudak, Deputy Mayor  
Bruce Libhaber, Assistant County Attorney